



## Ithumba Team

### De-Snaring Report for September, 2011

#### Participants

Lemanten    Labarakwe  
Noah        Lesimirdana  
Leandas    Lewangati  
James      Lodungokiyok  
Patrick     Mutuku  
Ali         Roba

#### Areas Patrolled

Ithumba Hill  
Kalovoto  
Kanziku Gate  
Kasaala fence  
Kya Rock  
Kyamanyenze  
Lagga Kungu  
Macho Kombo  
Mathae  
Power Line  
Tundani  
Uma Uma  
Voi  
Yatta

#### Arrests

3 Arrest(s) this month

#### Illegal Activities

| Illegal Activity                | No. Incidents | Location | Percentage | Scale      | Arrests |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------|------------|------------|---------|
| Poaching , Snaring - Large Game | 1             | Tiva     | 4.76%      | Commercial | No      |



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#### Illegal Activities

| Illegal Activity                       | No. Incidents | Location    | Percentage | Scale      | Arrests |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------|
| Elephant Poaching , Snaring - Medium   | 1             | Tundani     | 100.00%    | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Fresh Tracks              | 2             | Kasaala     | 7.14%      | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Fresh Tracks              | 1             | Kavaloto    | 3.57%      | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Fresh Tracks              | 1             | Kyae Rock   | 3.57%      | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Fresh Tracks              | 1             | Mukuka      | 3.57%      | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Fresh Tracks              | 2             | Power Line  | 7.14%      | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Fresh Tracks              | 1             | Tundani     | 3.57%      | Commercial | No      |
| Footprints , Snaring - Large Game      | 1             | Mukuka      | 100.00%    | Commercial | No      |
| Poachers' Hideout(s) , Fresh Hideout   | 1             | Kyae Rock   | 6.25%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poachers' Hideout(s) , Fresh Hideout   | 1             | Kyamanyenze | 6.25%      | Commercial | No      |
| Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln       | 1             | Kyamanyenze | 11.11%     | Commercial | No      |
| Poachers' Hideout(s) , Old Hideout     | 1             | Kavaloto    | 7.14%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small/Medium Game | 1             | Kyae Rock   | 100.00%    | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game       | 1             | Ithumba     | 10.00%     | Commercial | No      |



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| Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game     | 1             | Kalovoto    | 10.00%     | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game     | 1             | Kyamanyenze | 10.00%     | Commercial | Yes     |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 1             | Kaasala     | 3.33%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 1             | Kanziko     | 3.33%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 1             | Kasaala     | 3.33%      | Commercial | Yes     |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 1             | Kyae Rock   | 3.33%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 2             | Kyamanyenze | 6.67%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 1             | Mathea      | 3.33%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poaching , Snaring - Small Game      | 2             | Power Line  | 6.67%      | Commercial | No      |
| Poachers' Hideout(s) , Fresh Hideout | 1             | Mathea      | 6.25%      | Commercial | No      |

\* 'Percentage' indicates the overall percentage occurrence (encountered by all de-snaring teams) of that particular illegal activity during the selected month.

#### Snare Collected

| Snare Type | Snare Size | Snare Description | No. Confiscated |
|------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Thin Wire  | Small      | Scattered         | 58              |
| Thin Wire  | Small      | Line              | 264             |



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#### Snares Collected

| Snare Type | Snare Size | Snare Description | No. Confiscated |
|------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Thin Wire  | Medium     | Scattered         | 5               |
| Thin Wire  | Medium     | Line              | 1               |
| Thin Wire  | Medium     | Cluster           | 14              |
| Thin Wire  | Large      | Line              | 1               |

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|--------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Total Snares Collected:</b> | <b>343</b> |
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#### Monthly Summary



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#### **Monthly Summary**

This month saw an increase with the number of illegal activities inside the park. This is despite the extra anti-poaching initiative with the new Tiva team coming on board to beef up security in the Tsavo East northern area. With that said, the situation could have been worse if it were not for the extra efforts both from the Trust and KWS in the Ithumba area. There are new KWS ranger recruits who have come in at the right time.

Poachers that are targeting big game are frequenting the few remaining water points such as Tiva River, Macho kobo, Sheldricks blind, Athi River, and the waterhole near the elephant stockade. These are the areas where the Teams need to step up security at all cost because the poachers seem to be very determined. The aerial patrols have really helped to contain the situation, and have made the Teams far more efficient. The poachers targeting small game are mainly setting their snares near the fence line. The Team is gathering much information from their contacts and is responding to the illegal activities taking place with determination and tactful anti-poaching efforts.

The Team has managed to open up quite a considerable number of roads in the Tsavo northern area. Some were completely covered up by dense vegetation after remaining unused for many years. This will save a lot of time, fuel, cost, and energy incurred during patrols.



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Team removing snares



Place where an elephant snare had been set near Tiva



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Bushmeat dropped by poachers at Kalovoto



Dikdik rescued from a snare at powerline



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Poached elephant carcass



Poacher's camp at Mathae





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Logging at Tundani area



Remains of a lesser kudu at a poacher's camp



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Poacher arrested with bushmeat near the Kasaala fence



Poacher arrested with cheetah skin as well as bush meat, arrows, and snares



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Bushmeat and snares recovered from an arrested poacher

